

Office of Foreign Assets Control

31 CFR Part 589

Publication of Ukraine-Related Web General License 16 and Subsequent Iterations

AGENCY: Office of Foreign Assets Control, Treasury.

ACTION: Publication of Web General Licenses.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) is publishing six Ukraine-related web general licenses (GLs) in the *Federal Register*: GL 16, GL 16A, GL 16B, GL 16C, and GL 16D, each of which was previously issued on OFAC's website and is now expired, as well as GL 16E, which was previously issued on OFAC's website and was revoked.

DATES: GL 16E was revoked on January 27, 2019. See SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION of this rule for additional relevant dates.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: OFAC: Assistant Director for Licensing, 202-622-2480; Assistant Director for Regulatory Affairs, 202-622-4855; or Assistant Director for Sanctions Compliance & Evaluation, 202-622-2490.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Electronic Availability

This document and additional information concerning OFAC are available on OFAC's website: www.treasury.gov/ofac.

Background

On March 6, 2014, the President, invoking the authority of, *inter alia*, the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1701–1706) (IEEPA), issued Executive Order (E.O.) 13660, "Blocking Property of Certain Persons Contributing to the Situation in Ukraine" (79 FR 13493, March 10, 2014). In E.O.

13660, the President determined that the actions and policies of persons including persons who have asserted governmental authority in the Crimean region without the authorization of the Government of Ukraine that undermine democratic processes and institutions in Ukraine; threaten its peace, security, stability, sovereignty, and territorial integrity; and contribute to the misappropriation of its assets, constitute an unusual and extraordinary threat to the national security and foreign policy of the United States, and declared a national emergency to deal with that threat.

The President subsequently issued E.O. 13661 of March 16, 2014, "Blocking Property of Additional Persons Contributing to the Situation in Ukraine" (79 FR 15535, March 19, 2014), and E.O. 13662 of March 20, 2014, "Blocking Property of Additional Persons Contributing to the Situation in Ukraine" (79 FR 16169, March 24, 2014), pursuant to the national emergency declared in E.O. 13660. E.O. 13661 and E.O. 13662 expanded the scope of the national emergency declared in E.O. 13660. On May 8, 2014, OFAC published the Ukraine Related Sanctions Regulations, 31 CFR part 589 (the "Regulations"), to implement E.O. 13660, E.O. 13661, and E.O. 13662 (79 FR 26365, May 8, 2014). The President has issued additional Executive orders pursuant to the national emergency declared in E.O. 13660, and expanded in E.O. 13661 and E.O. 13662, which are not discussed in this publication as they are not relevant to the web GLs being published.

OFAC, in consultation with the Department of State, issued GL 16 on June 4, 2018, pursuant to the Regulations, to authorize certain transactions and activities ordinarily incident and necessary to the maintenance or wind down of operations, contracts, or other agreements, including the importation of goods, services, or technology into the United States, involving EN+ Group PLC, JSC EuroSibEnergo, or any entity in which EN+ Group PLC or JSC EuroSibEnergo owns, directly or

indirectly, a 50 percent or greater interest, and that were in effect prior to April 6, 2018, through 12:01 a.m. eastern daylight time, October 23, 2018.

Subsequently, OFAC issued five further iterations of GL 16, each of which extended the period the authorizations in GL 16 remained in effect: on September 21, 2018, OFAC issued GL 16A, which replaced and superseded GL 16, and extended the authorizations through 12:01 a.m. eastern standard time, November 12, 2018; on October 12, 2018, OFAC issued GL 16B, which replaced and superseded GL 16A, and extended the authorizations through 12:01 a.m. eastern standard time, December 12, 2018; on November 9, 2018, OFAC issued GL 16C, which replaced and superseded GL 16B, and extended the authorizations through 12:01 a.m. eastern standard time, January 7, 2019; on December 7, 2018, OFAC issued GL 16D, which replaced and superseded GL 16C, and extended the authorizations through 12:01 a.m. eastern standard time, January 21, 2019; and on January 16, 2019, OFAC issued GL 16E, which replaced and superseded GL 16D, and extended the authorizations through 12:01 a.m. eastern standard time, January 28, 2019. Following the delisting of EN+ Group PLC and JSC EuroSibEnergo on January 27, 2019, OFAC authorization was no longer required to transact with these companies or any other entity in which EN+ Group PLC or JSC EuroSibEnergo owns, directly or indirectly, a 50 percent or greater interest. The texts of GLs 16, 16A, 16B, 16C, 16D, and 16E are provided below.

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GENERAL LICENSE NO. 16

Authorizing Certain Activities Necessary to Maintenance or Wind Down of Operations or Existing Contracts with EN+ Group PLC or JSC EuroSibEnergo

- (a) Except as provided in paragraph (d) of this general license, all transactions and activities otherwise prohibited by the Ukraine Related Sanctions Regulations, 31 CFR part 589, that are ordinarily incident and necessary to the maintenance or wind down of operations, contracts, or other agreements, including the importation of goods, services, or technology into the United States, involving EN+ Group PLC, JSC EuroSibEnergo, or any entity in which EN+ Group PLC or JSC EuroSibEnergo owns, directly or indirectly, a 50 percent or greater interest and that were in effect prior to April 6, 2018, are authorized through 12:01 a.m. eastern daylight time, October 23, 2018.
- (b) Except as authorized by Ukraine Related General License 14, any payment to or for the direct or indirect benefit of a blocked person that is ordinarily incident and necessary to give effect to a transaction authorized in paragraph (a) of this general license must be made into a blocked, interest-bearing account located in the United States in accordance with 31 CFR § 589.203. Any such payment that is directly or indirectly to the account of a blocked U.S. person identified in paragraph (a) at a U.S. financial institution may be processed in accordance with the original wire transfer instructions, provided that those instructions are consistent with this general license.
- (c) All funds in accounts of blocked U.S. persons identified in paragraph (a), including funds originating from authorized payments to such accounts received on or after April 6, 2018, may be used for maintenance or wind-down activities authorized by this general license.
 - (d) This general license does not authorize:
- (1) The divestiture or transfer of debt, equity, or other holdings in, to, or for the benefit of the blocked persons identified above;

(2) Any transactions or dealings otherwise prohibited by any other part of 31

CFR chapter V, or any transactions or dealings with any blocked person other than the

blocked persons identified in paragraph (a) of this general license;

(3) The unblocking of any property blocked pursuant to any part of 31 CFR

chapter V, except as authorized by paragraphs (a), (b), or (c); or

(4) The exportation of goods from the United States.

(e) U.S. persons participating in transactions authorized by this general

license are required, within 10 business days after the expiration date of this general

license, to file a comprehensive, detailed report of each transaction, including the

names and addresses of parties involved, the type and scope of activities conducted,

and the dates on which the activities occurred, with the Office of Foreign Assets

Control, Office of Compliance and Enforcement, U.S. Department of the Treasury,

1500 Pennsylvania Avenue N.W., Freedman's Bank Building, Washington, DC

20220, or via email to OFACReport@treasury.gov.

Bradley T. Smith

Acting Deputy Director

Office of Foreign Assets Control

Dated: June 4, 2018

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GENERAL LICENSE NO. 16A

Authorizing Certain Activities Necessary to Maintenance or Wind Down of Operations or Existing Contracts with EN+ Group PLC or JSC EuroSibEnergo

(a) Except as provided in paragraph (d) of this general license, all

transactions and activities otherwise prohibited by the Ukraine Related Sanctions

maintenance or wind down of operations, contracts, or other agreements, including the importation of goods, services, or technology into the United States, involving EN+ Group PLC, JSC EuroSibEnergo, or any entity in which EN+ Group PLC or JSC EuroSibEnergo owns, directly or indirectly, a 50 percent or greater interest and that were in effect prior to April 6, 2018, are authorized through 12:01 a.m. eastern standard time, November 12, 2018.

- (b) Except as authorized by Ukraine Related General License 14A, any payment to or for the direct or indirect benefit of a blocked person that is ordinarily incident and necessary to give effect to a transaction authorized in paragraph (a) of this general license must be made into a blocked, interest-bearing account located in the United States in accordance with 31 CFR § 589.203. Any such payment that is directly or indirectly to the account of a blocked U.S. person identified in paragraph (a) at a U.S. financial institution may be processed in accordance with the original wire transfer instructions, provided that those instructions are consistent with this general license.
- (c) All funds in accounts of blocked U.S. persons identified in paragraph (a), including funds originating from authorized payments to such accounts received on or after April 6, 2018, may be used for maintenance or wind-down activities authorized by this general license.
 - (d) This general license does not authorize:
- (1) The divestiture or transfer of debt, equity, or other holdings in, to, or for the benefit of the blocked persons identified above;
- (2) Any transactions or dealings otherwise prohibited by any other part of 31 CFR chapter V, or any transactions or dealings with any blocked person other than the blocked persons identified in paragraph (a) of this general license;

(3) The unblocking of any property blocked pursuant to any part of 31 CFR chapter V, except as authorized by paragraphs (a), (b), or (c); or

(4) The exportation of goods from the United States.

(e) U.S. persons participating in transactions authorized by this general

license are required, within 10 business days after the expiration date of this general

license, to file a comprehensive, detailed report of each transaction, including the

names and addresses of parties involved, the type and scope of activities conducted,

and the dates on which the activities occurred, with the Office of Foreign Assets

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20220, or via email to OFACReport@treasury.gov.

(f) Effective September 21, 2018, General License No. 16, dated June 4,

2018, is replaced and superseded in its entirety by this General License No. 16A.

Andrea Gacki

Director

Office of Foreign Assets Control

Dated: September 21, 2018

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GENERAL LICENSE NO. 16B

Authorizing Certain Activities Necessary to Maintenance or Wind Down of Operations or Existing Contracts with EN+ Group PLC or JSC EuroSibEnergo

(a) Except as provided in paragraph (d) of this general license, all

transactions and activities otherwise prohibited by the Ukraine Related Sanctions

maintenance or wind down of operations, contracts, or other agreements, including the importation of goods, services, or technology into the United States, involving EN+ Group PLC, JSC EuroSibEnergo, or any entity in which EN+ Group PLC or JSC EuroSibEnergo owns, directly or indirectly, a 50 percent or greater interest and that were in effect prior to April 6, 2018, are authorized through 12:01 a.m. eastern standard time, December 12, 2018.

- (b) Except as authorized by Ukraine Related General License 14B, any payment to or for the direct or indirect benefit of a blocked person that is ordinarily incident and necessary to give effect to a transaction authorized in paragraph (a) of this general license must be made into a blocked, interest-bearing account located in the United States in accordance with 31 CFR § 589.203. Any such payment that is directly or indirectly to the account of a blocked U.S. person identified in paragraph (a) at a U.S. financial institution may be processed in accordance with the original wire transfer instructions, provided that those instructions are consistent with this general license.
- (c) All funds in accounts of blocked U.S. persons identified in paragraph (a), including funds originating from authorized payments to such accounts received on or after April 6, 2018, may be used for maintenance or wind-down activities authorized by this general license.
 - (d) This general license does not authorize:
- (1) The divestiture or transfer of debt, equity, or other holdings in, to, or for the benefit of the blocked persons identified above;
- (2) Any transactions or dealings otherwise prohibited by any other part of 31 CFR chapter V, or any transactions or dealings with any blocked person other than the blocked persons identified in paragraph (a) of this general license;

(3) The unblocking of any property blocked pursuant to any part of 31 CFR

chapter V, except as authorized by paragraphs (a), (b), or (c); or

(4) The exportation of goods from the United States.

(e) U.S. persons participating in transactions authorized by this general

license are required, within 10 business days after the expiration date of this general

license, to file a comprehensive, detailed report of each transaction, including the

names and addresses of parties involved, the type and scope of activities conducted,

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(f) Effective October 12, 2018, General License No. 16A, dated September

21, 2018, is replaced and superseded in its entirety by this General License No. 16B.

Andrea Gacki

Director

Office of Foreign Assets Control

Dated: October 12, 2018

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GENERAL LICENSE NO. 16C

Authorizing Certain Activities Necessary to Maintenance or Wind Down of Operations or Existing Contracts with EN+ Group PLC or JSC EuroSibEnergo

(a) Except as provided in paragraph (d) of this general license, all

transactions and activities otherwise prohibited by the Ukraine Related Sanctions

maintenance or wind down of operations, contracts, or other agreements, including the importation of goods, services, or technology into the United States, involving EN+ Group PLC, JSC EuroSibEnergo, or any entity in which EN+ Group PLC or JSC EuroSibEnergo owns, directly or indirectly, a 50 percent or greater interest and that were in effect prior to April 6, 2018, are authorized through 12:01 a.m. eastern standard time, January 7, 2019.

- (b) Except as authorized by Ukraine Related General License 14C, any payment to or for the direct or indirect benefit of a blocked person that is ordinarily incident and necessary to give effect to a transaction authorized in paragraph (a) of this general license must be made into a blocked, interest-bearing account located in the United States in accordance with 31 CFR § 589.203. Any such payment that is directly or indirectly to the account of a blocked U.S. person identified in paragraph (a) at a U.S. financial institution may be processed in accordance with the original wire transfer instructions, provided that those instructions are consistent with this general license.
- (c) All funds in accounts of blocked U.S. persons identified in paragraph (a), including funds originating from authorized payments to such accounts received on or after April 6, 2018, may be used for maintenance or wind-down activities authorized by this general license.
 - (d) This general license does not authorize:
- (1) The divestiture or transfer of debt, equity, or other holdings in, to, or for the benefit of the blocked persons identified above;
- (2) Any transactions or dealings otherwise prohibited by any other part of 31 CFR chapter V, or any transactions or dealings with any blocked person other than the blocked persons identified in paragraph (a) of this general license;

(3) The unblocking of any property blocked pursuant to any part of 31 CFR chapter V, except as authorized by paragraphs (a), (b), or (c); or

(4) The exportation of goods from the United States.

(e) U.S. persons participating in transactions authorized by this general

license are required, within 10 business days after the expiration date of this general

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(f) Effective November 9, 2018, General License No. 16B, dated October 12,

2018, is replaced and superseded in its entirety by this General License No. 16C.

Andrea Gacki

Director

Office of Foreign Assets Control

Dated: November 9, 2018

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GENERAL LICENSE NO. 16D

Authorizing Certain Activities Necessary to Maintenance or Wind Down of Operations or Existing Contracts with EN+ Group PLC or JSC EuroSibEnergo

(a) Except as provided in paragraph (d) of this general license, all

transactions and activities otherwise prohibited by the Ukraine Related Sanctions

maintenance or wind down of operations, contracts, or other agreements, including the importation of goods, services, or technology into the United States, involving EN+ Group PLC, JSC EuroSibEnergo, or any entity in which EN+ Group PLC or JSC EuroSibEnergo owns, directly or indirectly, a 50 percent or greater interest and that were in effect prior to April 6, 2018, are authorized through 12:01 a.m. eastern standard time, January 21, 2019.

- (b) Except as authorized by Ukraine Related General License 14D, any payment to or for the direct or indirect benefit of a blocked person that is ordinarily incident and necessary to give effect to a transaction authorized in paragraph (a) of this general license must be made into a blocked, interest-bearing account located in the United States in accordance with 31 CFR § 589.203. Any such payment that is directly or indirectly to the account of a blocked U.S. person identified in paragraph (a) at a U.S. financial institution may be processed in accordance with the original wire transfer instructions, provided that those instructions are consistent with this general license.
- (c) All funds in accounts of blocked U.S. persons identified in paragraph (a), including funds originating from authorized payments to such accounts received on or after April 6, 2018, may be used for maintenance or wind-down activities authorized by this general license.
 - (d) This general license does not authorize:
- (1) The divestiture or transfer of debt, equity, or other holdings in, to, or for the benefit of the blocked persons identified above;
- (2) Any transactions or dealings otherwise prohibited by any other part of 31 CFR chapter V, or any transactions or dealings with any blocked person other than the blocked persons identified in paragraph (a) of this general license;

(3) The unblocking of any property blocked pursuant to any part of 31 CFR

chapter V, except as authorized by paragraphs (a), (b), or (c); or

(4) The exportation of goods from the United States.

(e) U.S. persons participating in transactions authorized by this general

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(f) Effective December 7, 2018, General License No. 16C, dated November 9,

2018, is replaced and superseded in its entirety by this General License No. 16D.

Andrea Gacki

Director

Office of Foreign Assets Control

Dated: December 7, 2018

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GENERAL LICENSE NO. 16E

Authorizing Certain Activities Necessary to Maintenance or Wind Down of Operations or Existing Contracts with EN+ Group PLC or JSC EuroSibEnergo

(a) Except as provided in paragraph (d) of this general license, all

transactions and activities otherwise prohibited by the Ukraine Related Sanctions

Regulations, 31 CFR part 589, that are ordinarily incident and necessary to the maintenance or wind down of operations, contracts, or other agreements, including the importation of goods, services, or technology into the United States, involving EN+ Group PLC, JSC EuroSibEnergo, or any entity in which EN+ Group PLC or JSC EuroSibEnergo owns, directly or indirectly, a 50 percent or greater interest and that were in effect prior to April 6, 2018, are authorized through 12:01 a.m. eastern standard time, January 28, 2019.

- (b) Except as authorized by Ukraine Related General License 14E, any payment to or for the direct or indirect benefit of a blocked person that is ordinarily incident and necessary to give effect to a transaction authorized in paragraph (a) of this general license must be made into a blocked, interest-bearing account located in the United States in accordance with 31 CFR § 589.203. Any such payment that is directly or indirectly to the account of a blocked U.S. person identified in paragraph (a) at a U.S. financial institution may be processed in accordance with the original wire transfer instructions, provided that those instructions are consistent with this general license.
- (c) All funds in accounts of blocked U.S. persons identified in paragraph (a), including funds originating from authorized payments to such accounts received on or after April 6, 2018, may be used for maintenance or wind-down activities authorized by this general license.
 - (d) This general license does not authorize:
- (1) The divestiture or transfer of debt, equity, or other holdings in, to, or for the benefit of the blocked persons identified above;
- (2) Any transactions or dealings otherwise prohibited by any other part of 31 CFR chapter V, or any transactions or dealings with any blocked person other than the blocked persons identified in paragraph (a) of this general license;

(3) The unblocking of any property blocked pursuant to any part of 31 CFR

chapter V, except as authorized by paragraphs (a), (b), or (c); or

(4) The exportation of goods from the United States.

(e) U.S. persons participating in transactions authorized by this general

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(f) Effective January 16, 2019, General License No. 16D, dated December 7,

2018, is replaced and superseded in its entirety by this General License No. 16E.

Andrea Gacki

Director

Office of Foreign Assets Control

Dated: January 16, 2019

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Bradley T. Smith,

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